

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

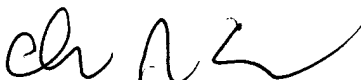
Pursuant to MPEP § 714.16, the examiner has the authority to make informal examiner's amendments to correct obvious errors under MPEP § 1302.04 et seq. and to enter amendments submitted after Notice of Allowance in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 without forwarding to the supervisory patent examiner for approval where said amendments merely embody the correction of formal matters. The above amendment is requested for the purposes of correcting an obvious error in the current status of a nonprovisional parent application referenced in the specification, and requires no substantial amount of additional work on the part of the Office. This amendment contains no new matter. Entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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